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"JUMPING ON MR. HARLEY."

Under the above caption, the esteemed Greenville Journal comes to the defense of Rev. J. L. Harley, superintendent of the State Anti-Saloon league in the following:

"We are not set for the defense of Rev. J. L. Harley, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league in South Carolina. But we do feel that the criticisms of him by certain newspapers are unjust and uncalled for.

"We are now gravely told that Mr. Harley is injuring the cause of prohibition in South Carolina. But for him there would be greater advances made. We rather suspect that the ground of Mr. Harley's offense lies in the fact that he is injuring the business of the liquor people.

"We do not believe that any man could take his place and escape the sharpest and most unreasoned criticisms, and at that by some people who claim that they are set for the defense of the cause of prohibition."

Our contemporary, of course, includes The Advertiser in the general term, "certain newspapers"; if not, we wish to be included, for we have criticized Mr. Harley and expect to continue the course so long as his actions justify. Whether or not our criticism has been "unjust and uncalled for" depends upon the facts, not upon The Journal's view of the situation. We submit that when an officer, occupying such a position as that filled by Mr. Harley, lets his tongue run away with him, leading him into misstatements and false accusations in such a manner as to necessitate an ignominious retraction, the cause he represents is seriously damaged. Any newspaper or person, alive to public sentiment and with a finger on the public pulse, is bound to recognize this fact. We are very sorry The Journal is not alive to this fact.

"We rather suspect that the ground of Mr. Harley's offense lies in the fact that he is injuring the business of the liquor people", says our neighbor. If we believed Mr. Harley, with the aid of the organization he represents, were honestly and legitimately lessening the power of the liquor people and aiding, in the proper manner, the cause of prohibition in South Carolina, our voice would never be lifted against him or his efforts. The Advertiser is for state-wide prohibition, but it is rather particular about the methods employed to secure such a condition; we most certainly do not sanction "just any old way", so the desired end is attained.

Very readily do we agree with The Journal that "any man" or newspaper who opposes the liquor traffic is subjected to "the sharpest and most unreasoned criticism". The Journal itself has suffered much, and The Advertiser came in for its share last fall. We venture the assertion that no paper in the state was more vilely attacked than this one. But, we think The Journal is confusing itself somewhat when it asserts that much of this unreasoned criticism is made by prohibition advocates. There are some "black sheep" in the camp, of course; some blind tigers favor prohibition; but we believe all the newspaper criticism of Mr. Harley has been genuinely honest, prompted only by a desire for fairness and squareness in all dealings, even to the enemies of the cause.

Yes, we think Mr. Harley is hurting the cause, as we pointed out some time ago, and we shall continue to think so until he changes his tactics.

IS IT GAMBLING?

This is a queer world, containing some queer people who hold queer ideas.

We have received the following information: a few days ago, in a certain section of the county, a friend of The Advertiser's approached a fellow citizen on the subject of subscribing to this paper, and giving him the coupons and the benefit of his payment in the great popularity contest that The Advertiser is now conducting. The man approached said: "No. I do not believe in that kind of gambling", or words to that effect.

Our unknown friend is laboring un-

der the weight of a mighty severe conscience; in fact, a conscience that creates evil. The world is full enough of wrong and vice without these vain imaginings. While we honor a man of conviction, and one who will stand to his belief, we have but little sympathy with the holding of such ideas as that expressed above. They are utterly untenable, and, we believe, are calculated to do harm in destroying that sense which distinguishes right from wrong.

In the first place, the Laurens Advertiser could scarcely afford to conduct a lottery of any kind. No paper that values its reputation can or would attempt it. In the second place, the postal laws would forbid it, and with the first announcement, the paper would be indicted for violation of the law. In the third place, the fact that some of Laurens county's very best people are actively participating in the contest ought to be evidence enough that it is all right.

Does our unknown friend vote in the elections of his state and county? If so, does he consider that a gamble? There is absolutely no element of chance, no gambling feature in this contest that The Advertiser is conducting. We are simply offering a prize for the man, woman or child who does the most and best work for us. Is there harm in contesting for a prize? If so, the schools and Sunday schools of the country are sinning daily.

PUT THEM IN SCHOOL.

The Abbeville Press and Banner deplores the fact that the court of general sessions just closed there was the dirtiest in the history of that county, and says that the feature of it was the presence of so many young girls. In an effort to explain this fact, our contemporary strays somewhat afield when it declares that "enforced idleness" among the children, particularly in the mill villages, is at the root of the trouble. The Press and Banner thinks that the child labor law is at fault and ought to be repealed.

In all likelihood, our contemporary is right about "enforced idleness" being at the root of a great deal of the trouble into which these young girls and boys have fallen; idle hands are the devil's workshop. There is no greater menace to the entire state than these hundreds of children "running loose" on the streets, beyond the pale of any authority. In the streets they acquire habits that develop into criminal traits, and in the end, the state suffers. Children, from under parental authority and out of school, cannot and will not grow into good, law-abiding citizens.

Now, it is a fact that the State of South Carolina is enforcing idleness upon a great number of children in the enforcement of the child labor law. But that does not argue the injustice or wrong of that law; it is one of the best laws on the statute books. But, the state is doing an injustice to her citizenship in its failure to enact a law that should in reality be a counter-part, in so far as the mill villages are concerned, of the labor law, and that is a compulsory education law. Better let the children work in the mills than have them run, unrestrained in the streets. But even that is not the solution. Put them in school.

Yes, the state is responsible for this "enforced idleness" that our contemporary speaks of. But it is the right of duty only half performed, not by the enactment of a law, in itself wrong or unjust; the two should go together, and together if rigidly enforced, should be a blessing to the entire state.

Put the children in school, and you will not find them in the criminal courts of the land.

THANKS, MR. WALLACE.

Dear Mr. Wallace: You should hear the many nice things that are being said about you and your assistants since the show on Friday night. The people are indeed grateful that you have taken in hand the matter of preserving good order at the opera house during the performances there. Friday night was so much better than it has ever been before.

There was practically no disturbance at the Colburn minstrels and the people who paid to see a good show, saw and enjoyed it without being continually annoyed. And the order in the gallery was exceptionally good; one little outbreak at the wrong time was all that was noticed. Of course, a few had to laugh when Mr. Hockett was making that last and excellent bass note, but that could not be prevented. And then, some young men from the front seats in the pit had to come in late after the intermission; they did not disturb the audience so much as the orchestra, over which they had to climb to reach their seats.

But, taken as a whole the order was the best yet, and the people thank you for it. The Advertiser begs to thank you for the kind and courteous reply to our remarks last week.

MR. HOLLAND'S CHARGES.

In another column is an article, signed by Mr. T. H. Holland of Seaford township, in which some ra-

ther grave charges are made against Superintendent of Education Geo. L. Pitts. This is an outcome of the now rather famous "Long Branch school row" which has had the attention of the people for some time.

A good deal of ill feeling has been engendered on account of the differences arising from the dismissal of the trustees of the Long Branch school and the subsequent removal of Miss Lane, teacher of that school. There are two factions in Seaford township number one: the adherents of the unknown tongue religion and those who oppose it. This religion has been the cause of disrupting the school out there; it was the cause of division on the tax election some weeks ago, and the end is not yet.

As to the charges Mr. Holland, in his card, makes against the county superintendent of education, we have nothing to say. Mr. Pitts, we presume will answer for himself; the columns of The Advertiser are open to him in reply, just as their use has been given Mr. Holland to state his grievances. However, we do not hesitate to say that Mr. Holland has made some pretty strong statements, which if not substantiated may cause him embarrassment. He says that "the report is false from start to finish", referring to the figures given by Mr. Pitts in The Advertiser in its issue of June 9th of this year. He also insinuates a misappropriation or misuse of funds, and a "padding" of the school roll.

From information received at this office there is considerable misunderstanding in some sections as to the conduct of affairs in the Long Branch school since the removal of the trustees last spring; hence, enlightenment from Mr. Pitts will be welcomed.

Says the Union Progress: "The following adaptation of a well known poem" is sympathetically dedicated to General Hubbard, president of the Perry Arctic club and Commander Perry, whom, according to recent press dispatches have had numerous conferences of late. (The poem follows.) Possibly our contemporary meant "who" instead of "whom"; possibly not, who knows?

The Union Times of last week had an editorial that, to our way of thinking, was one of the best that has appeared in the public prints of South Carolina in many a day. It was headed "The Times Loses A Friend". That friend (?) got mad because The Times did not grant him special favors; he had his paper stopped. To this "friend" we say: Some day The Times will contain your obituary, in which all your virtues will be recited, your sins forgotten, and your soul waited to heaven borne on sweet charity's wings. While you are living, do for the love of goodness, exercise at least fairness, if you have no charity in your own heart.

Remember: The Laurens Advertiser is worth \$1.00 per year and we are offering no premiums. In other words we do not consider the paper worth just fifty cents, and give you a fifty cents watch to make up the deficit in value. We are printing from eight to twelve pages of home news every week—two or three times as much as any other paper in the county.

The two thousand mark in subscription has been reached. Mr. Advertiser, this, according to recognized newspaper standards, means just 10,000 readers of this paper every week. Never in the history of any paper in the city or county has such a list been had. Now is the time to get in some good and effective advertising. Space in our advertising columns is more valuable than it has ever been; and it is cheaper.

"The man who can run a newspaper to suit everybody has gone to heaven long ago". Even so; even so.

An ex-mayor of St. Louis says it is worth \$15,000 to be mayor of that city. Shucks! That's nothing. It used to be worth \$28,000 to be dispensary commissioner in this state.

A well known minister, in the course of his sermon one fine Sunday said: "I don't want any of you people to contribute to charity until you pay for your home newspaper", to which we offer a good, strong "Amen". And by the way, there are two or three hundred people in this county who owe The Advertiser anywhere from 30 cents to \$8.00. Pay up, then give to charity. Debts have first claim.

A sheriff in Mobile, Ala., is said to be holding a lot of whiskey. We know a man in this state who can hold a lot of it most any old day in the week.

Again we invite opinions on the matter of lengthening the term of office for the county superintendent of education. In speaking of the question Monday, a good citizen of the county said: "Yes, and all the officers should be elected for four years; if that were the case, we would have

more work and less politics". The suggestion is a good one. Think it over.

By the way, what does the legal profession stand for? What is its raison d'être? In our innocent ignorance, we once thought its operations were to aid and assist the instruments of justice.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. Robert B. Bell attended the King's Mountain monument ceremonies last Thursday, at the historic battle ground just over the line in North Carolina.

It was a rare treat that the people of Laurens had on Monday evening of this week in hearing Mrs. Chas. F. Spearman of Anderson in an organ recital. Mrs. Spearman is here visiting relatives, and upon request gave a recital in the First Presbyterian church, which was attended by one of the largest audiences ever assembled on such an occasion. Mrs. Spearman was assisted by her father, Mr. M. L. Willis and a local choir. To say that the evening was enjoyable is but mildly expressing the intense pleasure experienced by the entire audience. The program, varied and well selected, continued for one hour; there were solos, duets, quartets, choruses, and a number of beautiful organ selections.

Among the pleasing features of the evening was the medley, composed of a number of national airs, ending with America; and then, Mrs. Spearman gave a composition of her own which delighted the audience with its sweetness and beauty. In addition to the organ solos, the singing of Miss Annie Richey, Mr. Chas. H. Hicks, Mrs. H. K. Aiken, Miss Mary Todd, Mr. Willis, and the quartette composed of Messrs. Hicks, Franks, McCravy and Roper, and the mixed quartette, Miss Richey, Mrs. Rankin, Mr. McCuen and Mr. Wilkes, was a feature enjoyed by all present.

The Wandering minstrels were delightfully entertained on Thursday evening by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Anderson at their home on Jones street. The impromptu musical program was especially good on this occasion, entertaining and pleasing to the large number of guests present. Mrs. Anderson was assisted in receiving and serving by Mrs. Sam L. Saxon of Clinton and Mrs. A. H. Sanders. During the evening punch, sherbet and cake were served the guests. The visitors present were: Mr. Sam Saxon of Clinton and Miss Bessie McCravy of Elberton, Ga.

The biggest social event of the past week was the reception on yesterday afternoon tendered by Mrs. Robert E. Copeland to her friends, the members of the Fortnightly club and a large number of visitors. The afternoon was especially enjoyable, Mrs. Copeland being a most genial accomplished hostess. Nations was the game played, there being eight tables. After cards, refreshments, consisting of ice cream and cake were served. Mrs. Copeland being assisted by Mrs. J. N. Hudgens and Mrs. W. R. Richey, Jr.

Miss Jessie Bolt is in Newberry visiting the family of Dr. J. K. Gilder; Miss Bolt will play at a recital in Newberry this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Gage and children of Greenville spent the past weekend in the city the guests of Mrs. Gage's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Garrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Spearman of Anderson are in the city the guests of Mrs. Spearman's father, Mr. M. L. Willis. Mrs. Spearman, who is organist at the First Presbyterian church of Anderson, presided at the pipe organ in the Presbyterian church here Sunday morning.

Well Known Hotel Keeper Uses and Recommends Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

"I take pleasure in saying that I have kept Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in my family medicine chest for about fifteen years, and have always had satisfactory results from its use. I have administered it to a great many traveling men who were suffering from troubles for which it is recommended, and have never failed to relieve them," says J. C. Jenkins, of Glasgow, Ky. This remedy is for sale by the Laurens Drug Co.

Do not spend all the fine October days in pickling, preserving, housecleaning or sewing, but occasionally gather up the children and go for a walk or a drive through the woods, and thus lay up a supply of health and pleasant memories for the winter months to come. Take some of the neighbors' children along to help have a good time. Remember that so glorious a pageant will not be spread before your eyes for another year, so enjoy it while you may.

Swept Over Niagara.

This terrible calamity often happens because a careless boatman ignores the river's warnings—growing ripples and faster current. Nature's warnings are kind. That dull pain or ache in the back warns you the kidneys need attention if you would escape fatal maladies—Dropsy, Diabetes or Bright's Disease. Take Electric Bitters at once and see Backache fly and all your best feelings return. "After long suffering from weak kidneys and lame back, one \$1.00 bottle wholly cured me," writes J. R. Blankenship, of Belk, Tenn. Only 50c at the Laurens Dr. Co. and the Palmetto Drug Co.

Some women after they have used a pattern just roll it up and tuck it away, almost anywhere it happens, and when they want to use it next time it curls up and acts so that there is no doing anything with it. If they would just lay the patterns out flat and put them where they might stay that way, all this trouble would be avoided.

OUR SPECIAL NOTICES.

Copyright Flour is without a peer. It stands alone, Pure, Clean, Wholesome, Economical. Cheapest because it makes better bread, cakes and pies, than other Flour. 8-11

For Sale—One house and lot in town of Mountville, will sell for cash or exchange for farm property. Also several houses and lots in city of Laurens, and quite a number of farm lands very cheap. Call on Anderson & Blakey if you need any property or have any to sell.

For Sale—A good Mare, 1 year old; color deep bay; size about eleven hundred pounds; raised by James and Alton Barksdale, Theodore Sumner, Rt. 2, Laurens, S. C. 10-21.

For Sale—152-acre farm in Seaford township, 6 miles from Clinton and known as the Cleveland place. Good dwelling, three tenant houses and other improvements. A. E. Cleveland, Laurens, S. C. rfd 2. 10-21

For Rent—Two brand new Store-rooms—plate glass and pressed brick front. In front new postoffice site. See Dr. Dial. 10-11.

For the next 30 days—Pianos at bargain prices. I represent the best. Can you find higher grade than Chase Bros., Chickering & Sons, Steinway & Knabe? See me and get prices. M. L. Willis, Robertson's hotel. 10-11

Wanted.—To rent or sell Spoon place—85 acres; one horse farm, open; fine spring water; 9 miles west of Laurens. Easy terms. C. C. Featherstone. 10

Copyright Flour—Is what every housekeeper needs to make good bread. Copyright is rich in gluten, the meat of the wheat. Copyright is pure. 10

For Sale—Five line of Berkshire pigs. John R. Finley, Madden, S. C.

Wanted.—To rent a farm of 25 or 30 acres, with four or five room dwelling, near church and school. Would like farm 3 or 4 miles from any good town. T. J. Bralmet, Rfd. No. 5, Laurens, S. C. 11

Notice—I will be in Laurens on next Saturday and the Tuesday following, delivering and taking orders for fruit trees. Any one wishing the celebrated Pinson apple see me on that date or mail your order before then. Six trees for a dollar. D. A. Madden, Rfd. No. 1, Waterloo, S. C. 11-1

Lost or Strayed.—One Jersey Cow, one horn broken, strayed off Sunday. Any one that can furnish information as to her whereabouts please notify Mrs. W. B. Bramlett, Laurens.

Money to Loan.—We have money to loan on real estate mortgage in sums of \$500 and up. Terms easy. Apply to Ferguson & Featherstone, Laurens, S. C. 11-21

Found.—A Greek letter fraternity pin. Owner may claim same by proving ownership, at this office and paying for notice.

Just Arrived.—700 bushels pure seed wheat from T. W. Wood & Son. Will sell to our customers for \$1.60 per bu. Feltz, Little Red May, Klondyke, Purple straw, and bearded Fulcaster. See us for seed wheat. Smith Mercantile Company, Kinards, S. C.

Two parts hard and one part turpentine will often cure "limber neck" if the afflicted fowl is discovered in time and the remedy given promptly.

Notice of Guardian Discharge.

To all whom it may concern: Take notice that on the 21st day of October, 1909, at ten o'clock, a. m., I will apply to O. G. Thompson, Probate Judge, at his office at Laurens, South Carolina, for my final discharge as guardian of the estate of John D. Sullivan.

All persons holding claims against me as such guardian will present and prove the same or be forever barred. ALLEN J. SULLIVAN. Sept. 20th, 1909. 8-21

LAND SALE.

The State of South Carolina,
County of Laurens.

IN COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

NATIONAL LOAN & EXCHANGE BANK, Plaintiff.

vs.
J. G. HENDERSON, MRS. L. R. HENDERSON, AND BRITISH & AMERICAN MORTGAGE CO. LIMITED, Defendants.

Pursuant to a decree of Foreclosure in the above stated case, I will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, at Laurens C. H. S. C., on Saturday in November next, being Monday the 1st day of the month, during the legal hours for such sales, the following described property to wit:

A tract of land, containing one hundred and two (102) acres, more or less, bounded on the north by the lands of the estate of W. T. Smith, deceased, east by lands of Anna P. Brown, deceased, south by Saluda river, and west by lands of the Defendant, which formerly belonged to Lillian Caldwell, being the 77½ acre tract described below:—a tract of land containing seventy-seven and a half acres, more or less, bounded on the north and east by the 102 acre tract described above, south by the Saluda river and west by lands of Lillian Caldwell; and a twenty acre tract, bounded north and east by lands of the estate of W. T. Smith and south and west by lands of the estate of W. T. Smith and Lillian Caldwell and J. G. Henderson.

Terms of Sale:—ONE-HALF CASH, balance to be paid twelve months from date of sale, the credit portion to be paid twelve months from date of sale, the credit portion to be secured by bond and mortgage of the purchaser over the premises, bearing legal interest from date, with leave to purchaser to pay his entire bid in cash. Purchaser to pay for papers. If the terms of sale are not complied with, the land to be resold on same or some subsequent Sale day on same terms, at the risk of former purchaser.

JOHN E. BOLT,
C. C. C. P. and G. S. Laurens, S. C.
Dated, this Oct. 8th, 1909. 11-31

LAND SALE.

The State of South Carolina,
County of Laurens.

IN COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

W. L. LEAK, Plaintiff.

vs.
W. L. BOYD, ET AL, Defendants.

Pursuant to a decree of Court in the above stated case, I will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, at Laurens C. H. S. C. on Saturday in November next, being Monday the 1st day of the month, during the legal hours for such sales, the following described property to wit:

All that one half undivided interest of W. L. Boyd, subject to life estate of Lucy N. Boyd, in all that lot of land, situate in the City of Laurens, in County and State above named, containing Two acres more or less, bounded on the North by lot of B. C. Crisp, Jack Brown lot and on ... street, South by Laurens Graded school property, now Mrs. Anna Martin, and West by lands formerly belonging to Malinda Crews and others, being the lot on which the Brick house is situated.

Terms of Sale CASH. Purchaser to pay for papers. If the terms of sale are not complied with, the land to be resold on same or some subsequent Sale day on same terms, at the risk of former purchaser.

JOHN E. BOLT,
C. C. C. P. and G. S. Laurens, S. C.
Dated, this Oct. 8th, 1909. 11-31

LAND SALE.

The State of South Carolina,
County of Laurens.

IN THE PROBATE COURT.

JANE PITTS, in her own right, and as Executrix of the Will of Edmund Pitts, deceased, Plaintiff.

vs.
JANE BERRY, NANCIE NELSON and DOLLY WILSON, Defendants.

Pursuant to a decree of the Court in this case, I will sell at public auction at Laurens C. H. S. C., on Saturday in November next, being the 1st day of the month, during the legal hours of sale, the following tract of land, to wit:

All that piece, parcel or tract of land lying, being and situate in Laurens County, Seaford Township, containing seventy-two (72) acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of O. P. Goodwin, M. A. Sumner, Dr. W. A. Shand, Luther Hitch and others.

Terms of Sale:—ONE-HALF CASH, balance on a credit of twelve months, with interest from date of sale, credit portion to be secured by the purchaser and a mortgage of the premises, with leave to the purchaser to pay the entire bid in cash. And if purchaser fails to comply with his bid, the land to be resold at his risk on the same or some subsequent Sale day. Purchaser to pay for papers.

O. G. THOMPSON,
Probate Judge.
October 10, 1909.—td.

EXECUTOR'S SALE.

Notice of Sale by R. L. Henderson Executor.

Pursuant to the power and authority given to the undersigned, by the last will and testament of Ida A. Boyd, deceased, I will sell to the highest bidder, if not sold at private sale before that day, at Laurens C. H. S. C., during the legal hours of sale, on Saturday in November, 1909, the same being the 1st day of the month, the following described real estate:

All that tract of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Laurens, State of South Carolina, near Madden station, containing one hundred and twenty-three (123) acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of Jno. A. Madden, estate of J. A. Madden, deceased, W. H. Hudgens, L. L. Culbertson and others.

Said property to be sold for division among the devisees named in said last will and testament of Ida A. Boyd, deceased.

Terms of Sale:—ONE-HALF CASH, and the balance on a credit of twelve months, with interest from date of sale, credit portion to be secured by bond of purchaser and a mortgage of the premises sold. Purchaser to pay for papers.

R. L. HENDERSON,
Executor of the last will and testament of Ida A. Boyd, deceased.
Laurens, S. C., Oct. 9, 1909.— 11-31

Removal Notice

On and after Tuesday Oct 12, we will be found in our New Store Room in the Dial Gray Block, Main Street, on the corner.

We thank our friends and customers who have made this move possible and in our large quarters we will be more able and better fitted to handle your business, which we will strive to merit.

Come and see us.

J. W. Payne

The Cash Grocer

PHONE, NO. 133